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1808☐ The Notice of Appeal filed on _____ is:☐ not acceptable because:☐ it was not timely filed.☐ the statutory fee for filing the appeal was not submitted. See 37 CFR 1.17(e).☐ the appeal fee received on _____ was not timely filed.☐ the submitted fee of \$ _____ is insufficient. The appeal fee required by 37 CFR 1.17(e) is \$ _____.☐ the appeal is not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.191 in that there is no record of a second or a final rejection in this application.☐ a Notice of Allowability, form PTO-37, was mailed by the Office on _____.

☐ defective, as indicated below, and MUST be corrected. Applicant is given a TIME LIMIT of ONE MONTH from the date of this letter OR the TIME REMAINING IN THE RESPONSE PERIOD OF THE LAST OFFICE ACTION, whichever is longer, to correct the appeal. NO EXTENSION OF THIS TIME LIMIT MAY BE GRANTED UNDER EITHER 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b) BUT THE PERIOD FOR RESPONSE SET IN THE LAST ACTION MAY BE EXTENDED UP TO A MAXIMUM OF 6 MONTHS. If the appeal is not timely corrected, the application will be abandoned as of the date of expiration of the period for response of the last Office action.

☐ The Notice of Appeal is unsigned. A ratification, properly signed, is required.☐ Identification of the appealed claim(s) is required under 37 CFR 1.191(b).☐ The appeal brief filed on _____ is NOT acceptable for the reason(s) indicated below:☐ The brief and/or brief fee is untimely. See 37 CFR 1.192.☐ The statutory fee for filing the brief has not been submitted. See 37 CFR 1.17(f).☐ The submitted brief fee of \$ _____ is insufficient. The brief fee required by 37 CFR 1.17(f) is \$ _____.

The appeal in this application will be dismissed unless corrective action is taken. Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

☒ The appeal in this application is DISMISSED because:☐ The fee for filing the brief as required under 37 CFR 1.17(f) was not timely submitted and the period for obtaining an extension of time to file the brief under 37 CFR 1.136 has expired.☒ The brief was not timely filed and the period for obtaining an extension of time to file the brief under 37 CFR 1.136 has expired.☒ Because of the dismissal of the appeal, this application:☒ is abandoned because there are no allowed claims.☐ is being returned to the examiner for final disposition because it contains allowed claims. Prosecution on the merits is CLOSED.

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